

THE warfare that has been and is being waged against the silver dollar by the money-changers is both cowardly and dishonorable. In a most meek and clandestine manner they succeeded in 1873 in procuring its demonetization by act of Congress. So soon as the people became aware that this outrage upon their rights had been committed, they began to denounce it as it deserved and to demand that the wrong be righted. And, accordingly, in obedience to that demand, the Congress in 1876 passed the act for the coinage of silver dollars, making them a full legal tender and requiring a stated amount of them to be coined monthly. This was an unimpeachable act against the money-changers, and on account of it, they have been tearing their hair and rending their garments ever since. Knowing, as they do, that the sentiment and judgment of a vast majority of their fellow-citizens are dead-set against any disturbance of the present status of that coin, they now seek by indirection to accomplish its destruction as a currency.

The President in his message, in obedience to the dictation of the money power, recommends two schemes designed evidently to rob the people of the benefit of this most useful and convenient medium of exchange, viz: 1. To repeal the law authorizing the issue of silver certificates; 2. To repeal so much of the act of 1875 as requires not less than \$2,000,000 to be coined per month, and leave the amount to be coined solely to the discretion of the Treasury Department. The President assigns as a reason for retiring the silver certificates that "they form an unnecessary addition to the paper currency, a sufficient amount of which may be readily supplied by the national banks." He says, very truly, that these certificates "were issued in pursuance of the policy of the Government to maintain silver at or near the gold standard and accordingly made receivable for all customs, taxes, etc." Was there anything wrong about that policy? Having by law declared the silver dollar a legal tender between their citizens was it not right that the Government should recognize and treat it as a good dollar by receiving it at the Treasury and issuing to the depositor the Government's certificate for its value? In the midst of the clamor against it on the part of its enemies, who denounced it as inferior money and stigmatized the creation of it as "inflation," it was necessary for the Government to do something to popularize it. The inflation of its face made this necessary, whereas with no inflation it would have needed no bolstering. When a particular kind of money is altered it needs a proof of its good character just as much as a man does when his good name is assailed; and these certificates furnish that proof as to the value of the "dollar of the dollar." To withdraw these certificates, as proposed, would under existing circumstances, be almost as fatal to this currency as would be the stamping of each place at the Government mint with the words, "not good." But the President says silver certificates "form an unnecessary addition to the paper currency, a sufficient amount of which may be supplied by the national banks." Let us take the case out of the wallet. If any more paper currency is to be put in circulation the national banks must issue it. Nobody else, not even the Government itself, is competent to judge of the amount of such currency needed, and nobody else's paper, not even that of the Government, is good enough. It makes no difference how much national bank paper is issued—no amount, however vast, of that paper that might be issued would be called an "unnecessary addition to the paper currency." Now why is national bank paper preferred to silver certificates? Will it pay for anything that the certificates will not pay for? Does it rest on any safer or sounder basis? Certainly not. It is payable in greenbacks and secured by U. S. bonds and the certificates are payable in silver dollars by the U. S. Government, which are a full legal tender for all purposes. Greenbacks and silver dollars are of exactly equal value. Therefore, the preference proposed by the President to be given to national bank paper over these certificates, is nothing more nor less than sheer favoritism—nothing more nor less than a proposition to take from the people a very convenient and perfectly safe kind of currency in order to confer a pecuniary favor upon national bankers. It would seem that a compliance with this recommendation ought to satisfy the most relentless enemy of the silver dollar; but the President, for fear some little light might still be left in it, proposes to finish its assassination by leaving to the Secretary of the Treasury, its mortal enemy, how much, if any, shall be hereafter coined! That accomplished, its funeral will be the next thing in order.

The Administration, with the aid of the traitor, Mahone, having succeeded so well in its disgraceful efforts to win Virginia for the Republicans, is looking around for more States to conquer. Wherever there is any division on local questions in any of the Southern States, special efforts, no matter how low or dishonest, will be made to widen the division, and by a coalition with the strongest side of the quarrel, they hope for victory. In Maryland, where there are two factions of the Democratic party; in North Carolina, where the Democracy is far from being harmonious; in Tennessee, where there is a split over the debt and tax question, in Arkansas, where a repudiation of the State debt is also agitated, and in Texas, where it is claimed that there are many so-called Liberals, efforts are to be made at once by government sop and promises of the same, to overthrow the Democracy. They can only do this by taking advantage of dissensions in our party, and if the Democrats of the States named are not dead to every instinct of honor, they will hasten to unite and present a solid front to the audacious and unscrupulous foe. To keep in power and extend that power the Republican party will resort to any means, and it is to be hoped that they will not be able to profit by Democratic treachery.

Col. S. T. M. MAHON was nominated on the 4th ballot to succeed himself as Public Printer. He has better facilities for doing the work than any one else, besides he has given the greatest satisfaction, and we are pleased to know that he will continue to office.

REPRESENTATIVE R. A. JONES has a bill before the Legislature to change the law which requires that a majority of all the vote in the State (whether they vote or not) shall be cast in favor of calling a Constitutional Convention before one can be called. It provides that if a majority of those voting at the next August election favor such a call, then a Convention shall be held at such time as the Legislature shall appoint. In view of the fact that our Constitution needs many radical changes, and of the further fact that Section 12 of the present instrument virtually forbids the people from ever revising it, we but echo the sentiments of the people of this part of the State when we hope that Mr. Jones' bill will become a law. To be sure it is a revolutionary movement, but such action is necessary, since the framers of the Constitution of 1850, saw proper, for the benefit of the slavery question, to almost absolutely take from the succeeding generations "the right to alter, reform or abolish their government in such manner as they may see proper." Besides the slavery clause, long ago a dead letter, our present Constitution is far from being up to the wants of the day. One generation has passed away since its adoption, and the times and conditions have so much changed in those 32 years as to render the document exceedingly worthless for present needs. The Judiciary laws need a thorough overhauling, the power of the majority to vote a tax for railroads and other corporations against the wishes of those who will have to pay, should be extinguished, and all local legislative bodies to the County Court, so that when the Legislature meets it can proceed as one to business of general importance and not lose months in fooling with bills of mere cross-roads interest. It is suggested that there could not be a better time than now for a Constitutional Convention as no outside issues are impending, and peace and prosperity prevail, the framers could devote their whole energies and experience to matters entirely concerning the welfare of the State, instead of contriving a way to effectually defer future generations from exercising a right guaranteed "at all times" to a free people.

JAMES G. BLAINE is no longer Secretary of State, Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, of New Jersey, having been nominated and confirmed in his stead. Though twice a Senator from his State, he has made no national reputation as a statesman but it is claimed that he is a man of fine sense and of sound judgment that Blaine. He is a nephew of the candidate for Vice-President on the Henry Clay ticket in 1864, which the same it is hardly necessary to state was not elected. Blaine will devote the most of his time to mending his fences and preparing for the Presidential nomination in 1884.

GEN. WOLFE will go to the Convention with 55 instructed votes, certain, the following counties having instructed for him: Boyle, Hart, Lincoln, Marion, Taylor, Washington, Adair, Casey, Clinton, Pulaski, Cumberland, Garrard, Metcalfe, Russell, Wayne and Ohio. This puts him right up with the leading candidates, but as it requires a majority of 700 votes to elect and there being 17 candidates to be voted for, the result is about as uncertain as the verdict of a petit jury.

It is authoritatively given out that the President will appoint no more women to office. He wants every appointment to count, and as women have no vote they must stand from under, to give place to incompetent men, merely because they are possessed of the elective franchise. The year of our Lord, 1881, is nearly gone, and Mother Shipton's prophecy that the world would come to an end, is yet unfulfilled. The old lady will lose her reputation as a foreteller of future events if she don't look out.

MAHON'S man, Riddleberger, got the caucus nomination for U. S. Senator to succeed Johnson, without opposition. He will occupy the same position towards Mahone that Pratt does towards Calkins; that is, he will be his "one too."

The Daily Express is the best thing connected with the session of the Legislature. It is always fresh and readable, and its reports of the doings of that body, is the most reliable that can be had.

LEGISLATIVE.

An act to expunge the word "white" from the jury law has passed both branches of the Legislature. A bill is before the body to make whip-whipping punishable with stripes, not less than 25 nor more than 50, well laid on.

The House has passed the bill to allow jurors \$2 and grand jurors \$1.50 per day, the former to receive \$1 additional when held together over night.

The Governor's Mansion is again the subject of anxious solicitude on the part of the Legislature. He thinks it not good enough for his royal "nibs and a bill to exchange it for one more suited to his polish has been offered.

In the Senate, a bill to compel the parents and guardians of white children to send them to the common or free school of the Commonwealth, unless said children attend other schools as much as 5 months in each school year.

A bill to require all persons who desire to carry concealed upon or about their person a pistol, or other deadly weapons, within this State, to obtain a license from the County Court Clerk, and execute bond for their good behavior before said Clerk, with penalties, etc.

A bill to abolish the office of School Commissioner has been presented in the House. If a substitute for this expensive office can be made with a better and cheaper one, a greater amount can be saved the Educational fund, but how this is to be done, the Solons have not yet explained.

Mr. Hansford voiced the sentiment of this community, and no doubt that of the State at large, when he offered a bill to affix a penalty upon any person selling, or contracting stone coal at a less weight per bushel than is now fixed by law. Our dealers give but 75, when they should give 70, and short weight at that. Mr. Hansford also presented bills to amend the law as to the qualifications of jurors in criminal cases, and to better protect the sheep-growing interest of the Commonwealth.

—The Senate has passed a bill to allow Mrs. Gortfield to send mail matter free of charge.

—There have been 250 bills introduced in the Senate already, one number coming to the front with 33.

—The Ring Theatre at Vienna, caught fire from a falling lamp and over 300 persons were burned to death.

—Winchester is now getting coal from the Kanawha mines via the C. & O. R. R. It costs, delivered, 10 cents.

—At Danville, Wednesday, Miss Fannie Hazlen, daughter of James L. Hazlen, was married to Mr. J. M. McDuff, of Springfield.

—J. S. Machen, a drummer for J. S. Robinson & Co., Louisville, lost \$3,000 for that first by a too great fondness for draw poker.

—Gen. H. B. Banning, of Cincinnati, known as the Banning Banning, died on Saturday night. He had represented his district once in Congress.

—A boarding house in Pittsburg, was set on fire by the explosion of a lamp and nine men were roasted to death. A number of others were seriously burned.

—Guiten's trial was stopped for three days this week by the sickness of the negro juror. A horse doctor has testified that he is insane, but the burden of evidence is that he is a remarkably shrewd person.

—Seville, Guiten's brother-in-law and counsel, is to deliver a lecture in Washington on the miserable wretch, to raise funds to pay the expenses of the trial. It is not likely he will get a great deal in that way.

—It costs the Government a good deal for its printing, binding, engraving, lithographing, etc., executed at the Government Printing Office. Last year it amounted to \$2,215,939.27. This does not include the printing of United States notes, bonds, etc.

—Joseph Wallford, a white man, was shot and killed by Alex. Shirley, negro, at Eminence, Saturday night. Wallford called him out of his house and fired the first shot, wounding Shirley, who succeeded in reaching his gun and firing the fatal shot. The trouble was over a negro strumpet.

A traveler who had an unlimited ticket got a stop over check at a town in Minnesota, good for ten days. He business detained him two weeks, and when he presented his stop-over to the Conductor, he refused to accept it, and upon his refusal to pay, he was promptly put off the train. He sued the Company for damages and got \$250 and costs from it.

—Last Sunday morning, at Flat Rock, Ky., Chastine and Barron became engaged in a quarrel about a strike among the colliers, which ended in Barron shooting Chastine through the jaw, breaking the bone, and knocking Mrs. Chastine down with a club. The wound inflicted on Mr. Chastine is a serious one, if not fatal. Mr. Barron has not yet been arrested.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

—They tripped the light fantastic at the Mermon House last Friday night.

—Calling up the spirits is the favorite pastime of some of our young people.

—Dr. Doore rejoices over the advent of another new grand-daughter, Miss Beatie Lura Parrish.

—We guess they have quarreled as the role slowly out of town the other morning singing, "Nobody's Darling."

—Don't forget the concert at the Christian Church, Monday night, 26th inst. Admission only twenty-five cents.

—Our people are indited with a revised edition of Paul Pry. We suppose other towns can sympathize with us.

—There will be a Christmas tree at the Baptist Church on Friday night before Christmas. Everybody invited.

—Ed. Jasper Livingston has been employed to preach at the Christian Church at this place for the year, 1882.

—Our public school taught by Miss Alice Stuart closed last week; also the school of Miss Katie Shivel near Lancaster. We understand they both gave perfect satisfaction.

—We were almost mad at somebody in the INTERIOR JOURNAL, office last week when our report came out somebody had twisted round us and made it sound like we had been very ridiculous, and we did not know but we would have to leave town over it.

—Miss Sallie Green and Mrs. Maggie Saunders have returned from a brief visit to Somerset. Mrs. Kennedy is quite ill. Mrs. W. F. Kennedy has returned from a visit to Millersburg. She brought back with her Miss Jennie Kennedy and Miss Hattie Mable.

WAYNE COUNTY.

—At a meeting of the citizens of this county, held at the Mammoth Hall, in this place, on Monday, Dec. 5th, Mr. W. W. Bradshaw, was chosen as Chairman, and W. K. Gann, as Secretary. On motion of Col. Ooby Oatts, a resolution was adopted instructing the delegates from this county, to vote, and use all proper influence for the nomination of Gen. Frank Wallford, of Adair, as the Democratic candidate for Clerk of the Appellate Court, to be chosen by the Convention to be held in Frankfort, in January next.

—Capt. T. J. Oatts, one of our most enterprising stock traders, has just returned from Georgia, where he had been trading the past two months. He reports having made money on the stock shipped from here, but at present there is no demand whatever for stock of any grade in the South. Messrs. G. C. Duncan, Pearson Bartleson and Shelby Reagan, arrived a few days ago with 95 head of good cattle bought in Middle Tennessee, which they purpose taking to "blue-grass" in a short time. Mr. A. S. Jones, of Lincoln, has just bought Mr. Sam Cowan's farm near Mill Springs, for which he pays \$3,750, he believes. Mr. A. S. Jones sold the lands belonging to his children, near town, to Mr. W. J. Kendrick, Sr., for the same amount he paid for the Mill Springs place.

—Misses Lizzie and Lucy Jones closed their school a few days ago. They both acquitted themselves so creditably as teachers, that they will have no trouble in the future, in securing schools in their respective districts. Mr. J. C. Saffley, resigned from going out to church, last Sunday, and has been very ill again, but is improving now. Mr. R. K. Wearen will move in a short time to Stanford, where he designs going into the Undertaking business. Mr. W. and family have made themselves very popular in this community during their two years' sojourn in our midst. If business in his line would justify him here, we should regret to give them up. Mrs. Tuttle has, at last, made a start towards cleaning up the old drug store, and thinks, if he has no luck,

that he will complete the job by Christmas.

—Misses Mollie and Lena Owens, of Lincoln, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Miller, of this place. Quite a number of our citizens have gone to Mrs. Howard's meeting at Jamestown, Ky.

—The justly famous evangelist, Geo. O. Barnes, closed his meetings at two weeks duration at this place, Monday, Dec. 5th. Having preached in all, 30 discourses. The number of first conversions, and those referred to the joy of HIS Salvation, amounted to 600. A very considerable number, 400, I believe, were baptized, trusting the Lord for healing bodily infirmities. The good feeling manifestly prevailing the hearers, irrespective of former denominational bias, was truly wonderful and refreshing, after the first few sermons had removed prejudice from the minds of those, apprehending, from previous convictions that his teachings would be erroneous. Your correspondent frankly confesses that he was fearful that the popularity of the evangelist would draw many to hear him, who had been indifferent as to religion heretofore, and that he, by his powerful magnetic influence would induce them to embrace erroneous views of Christianity than if they had never been taught at all. But since having heard him, his mind has undergone a change, and with but few rival objections to some of his doctrines, can fully endorse all he teaches. The improvement in the moral tones of society here, has been very marked, and we earnestly trust that it may continue. Prof. C. W. Sewell began a meeting on Sunday night, the 11th inst., which is still in progress, and will continue, at night, through the week, and perhaps longer.

—In the Court of Appeals on the 1st inst. the case of the L. & N. Co. vs. J. H. Wilson, from Rockcastle Circuit Court, was affirmed.

—It is said that the Kentucky Central has been located to Route 10, at the junction with the L. & N. will be at this place or Pleasant Valley.

—J. L. Whitehead invites his old customers and many new ones to his headquarters at this place, to come to his store for their Christmas triz.

—FOR SALE—A number of fine, fat snipes, enough to make a car load. Somebody can get a bargain in buying. David Thompson, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

—The small boy has already begun his Christmas by letting off fireworks in the streets at night, and his mischievous practice will be continued until spring.

—The boys are organizing a minstrel troupe and propose giving a performance at the school house on the evening of Dec. 24th. The program embraces a feast of fun.

—King, the man who killed Roberts, an account of which killing was published last week, has not yet been arrested. He had a consultation with his lawyer last week, and concluded to wait awhile before surrendering himself into custody.

—Mr. F. J. Thompson desires to inform his old customers that he is still in the city. He is now the father of an interesting girl, and he proposes to sell Christmas goods and all other kinds of goods at cheaper figures than ever before.

—The variety store is receiving for the holiday trade an immense stock of toys, notions, fancy goods, plain, fancy and mixed, such as, ribbons, figs, oranges, tinsel, fancy stationery, fine work, etc., etc. Go there to buy your Christmas goods. J. E. Vowels, proprietor.

—The most perfect sewing machine of the period, "The New Home," is on exhibition at Vowels' Variety Store. It is a beautiful and useful Christmas present. Buy a "New Home" for your wife, your mother, your sister, your mother-in-law, your mother-in-law, and make her heart happy.

—Robert F. Moore, a young man aged about 20 years, was tried before Judge McCreary, Tuesday, on a charge of larceny. He was found to be a lunatic and will be sent to the asylum at Lexington. If the authorities there will receive him. He went crazy from thinking too much on the subject of religion.

—Remotes—Ed. J. L. Allen, of Danville, has accepted a unanimous call to the Church of Christ, to preach for the congregation, next year. Mr. Allen has just closed his second year's ministry here. He is greatly esteemed by our people. Mr. Geo. W. Dunlap began a meeting at this place last night which will continue for two weeks.

—Hendro, Denny, & Co., the thieves who were tried in Pulaski county last week, were held in bonds to the Circuit Court in default of bail, they went to jail. One of the gang named Thompson, who "preached on his pals" by turning State's evidence, was arrested at Harrodsburg, and is now in the county jail. His trial was set for Wednesday of this week.

—LAND SALES.—Mr. James Hunk sold to the L. & N. R. R. last week, a lot containing about 100 acres, for \$2,000.00 cash. West end of town, for \$215.00, cash. The railroad company bought the land for siding purposes. It is reported that Gov. J. B. McCreary bought Hon. W. B. Smith, of Richmond, here purchased from the administrators of Catlett Conway, deceased, the large tract of land, belonging to the estate, lying in this county and containing 1,000 or 1,500 acres, for \$2,000.00 cash.

—Elsewhere will be found the announcement of J. W. Kerby. In this formally making himself known as a candidate for Senator at the August election, 1882, Mr. Kerby has requested the writer to say to the people that he is under obligations to them for their uniform kindness to him in the past. If re-elected, he promises a faithful performance of his duties.

—Mr. Kerby has made a faithful, efficient officer. It is quite probable that he will have no opposition from either party for re-election.

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Has been to establish in Stanford a first-class GENTLEMEN'S FURNISHING GOODS HOUSE, and to this and we have worked faithfully to know the wants of the people and to supply them at such prices as would increase our sales, and insure us permanency. As the best evidence of success, we point you to the rapid increase of our trade. We are not meddling with every class of goods, but directing our whole attention to this one line—Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, to which properly belongs Hats, Trunks, and Valises, and it is only a matter of time when we will convince every one that the real inducements are offered in this way. Another plan we have adopted, different from the general rule, is that we close our stock, even at a sacrifice, every season and replenish with new, fresh, unbroken lots. We are making special low figures on all our goods, and where a nice Suit or Overcoat is wanted, we never miss a sale. We want the trade, and we are willing to advertise with low prices for it. As we desire to make a drive in CLOTHING, we insist that every one wanting a Suit will see our goods and prices within the next few days.

We are making an effort to lead the market in Ladies' Fine Shoes, and in order to do it, we have selected the best brand to be had, and have made the prices not to be undersold. In our Custom Goods we warrant every pair, and mean it. Respectfully,

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